

SENATE BILL NO. 685

BY SENATOR LONG

AN ACT

To enact R.S. 17:406.7, relative to parent-teacher conferences; to require parents to attend or participate in at least one conference each year; to require school governing authorities to adopt rules; and to provide for related matters.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

Section 1. R.S. 17:406.7 is hereby enacted to read as follows:

**§406.7. Parent-teacher conferences; required attendance; consequences**

**A.(1) A teacher shall schedule at least two parent-teacher conferences during the first semester each school year. At least one parent or guardian of the child shall attend or participate in at least one of the scheduled parent-teacher conferences.**

**(2) A teacher may not require a parent or guardian to attend a conference if the conference is deemed to be unnecessary due to the student's academic record.**

**(3) If a middle school or high school student has more than one teacher, the parent or guardian may participate in the conference by conference call.**

**B. The governing authority of each elementary and secondary school shall adopt rules relative to failure of the parent or guardian to attend at least one scheduled parent-teacher conference. The rules shall prohibit any negative**

1            **action against the child as a result of the failure of a parent to attend a parent-**  
2            **teacher conference.**

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PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

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SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA

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